

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Listing of Claims:

1. to 23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) A method for reducing the production of sebum, said method comprising topically applying to skin and/or hair an effective amount therefor of a composition comprising:

an oil phase, and

a cyclodextrin component, having one or more cyclodextrins,

wherein the oil phase comprises at least one ~~oil phase component~~ selected from the group consisting of ~~long chain fatty acid monoglycerides, diglycerides and diglyceride triglycerides that are partially neutralized with citric acid,~~ diglycerides ~~triglycerides~~ that are partially neutralized with citric acid, C₁₂-C₁₅-alkyl benzoates, and unbranched C₈-C₂₄ fatty acids or the corresponding alcohols thereof;

~~and wherein the wt. % ratio of the cyclodextrin component to the at least one oil phase component is in the range between about 0.01 to 10.~~

25. (Currently amended) A method for controlling at least one condition caused by increased sebum production selected from the group consisting of blemished skin, acne, seborrheic phenomena, greasy hair, said method comprising topically applying to an affected area of skin and/or hair an effective amount of a composition comprising

an oil phase, and

a cyclodextrin component, having one or more cyclodextrins,

wherein the oil phase comprises at least one ~~oil phase~~ component selected from the group consisting of ~~long chain fatty acid~~ monoglycerides and diglycerides and triglycerides ~~that are partially neutralized with citric acid~~, C₁₂-C₁₅-alkyl benzoates, and unbranched C₈-C₂₄ fatty acids or the corresponding alcohols thereof;
~~and wherein the wt.-% ratio of the cyclodextrin component to the at least one oil phase component is in the range between about 0.01 to 10.~~

26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24 wherein the one or more cyclodextrins are selected from the group consisting of α -cyclodextrin, β -cyclodextrin, γ -cyclodextrin and δ -cyclodextrin, and wherein the cyclodextrin component comprises at least 30 wt.-% of γ -cyclodextrin.

28. (Previously presented] The method of claim 24 wherein the one or more cyclodextrins comprise 0.0005 wt.-% to 50% wt.-% based on the total weight of the composition.

29. (Previously presented] The method of claim 28 wherein the one or more cyclodextrins comprises 0.02 wt.-% to 10% wt.-% based on the total weight of the composition.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the composition is in a form selected from the group consisting of a gel, solid stick, lotion, cream, suspension and emulsion.
32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24 ~~30~~ wherein the one or more cyclodextrins are selected from the group consisting of α -cyclodextrin, β -cyclodextrin, γ -cyclodextrin and δ -cyclodextrin, and wherein cyclodextrin component is at least 30 wt.-% of γ -cyclodextrin.
33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24 ~~30~~, wherein the one or more cyclodextrins comprise 0.0005 wt.-% to 50% wt.-% based on the total weight of the composition
34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the one or more cyclodextrins comprise 0.02 wt.-% to 10% wt.-% based on the total weight of the composition.
35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the oil phase comprises at least 10% of the total weight of the composition.
36. (Previously presented] The method of claim 35, wherein the oil phase comprises at least one thickening agent.
37. (Previously presented] The method of claim 35, wherein the cyclodextrin composition further comprises a cyclodextrin component of at least 30 wt.-% of γ -cyclodextrin.

38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the oil phase further comprises one or more components selected from the group consisting of esterified oils, branched or unbranched hydrocarbons and hydrocarbon waxes, silicone oils, dialkyl ethers, and triglycerides of saturated and/or unsaturated fatty acids of from 12-18 carbon atom